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In re U.S. Patent Application)
TAKESHITA et al.)
Application Number: To Be Determined)
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For: APPARATUS FOR MICROINJECTION OF SAMPLE)
INTO AMPHIBIAN OOCYTES)
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**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above identified application as follows: